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PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

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In accordance with the provision of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully submitted that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the Office Action mailed September 13, 2006, said period of response being extended from December 13, 2006 to March 13, 2007.

Our check in the amount of \$1020.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account 50-3503.

Respectfully submitted,

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